

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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I/We believe I/We am/are the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed (if only one name is listed below) or an original and first inventor of at least some of the subject matter which is claimed (if plural names are listed below) and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

[ ] is attached hereto.

[ x ] was filed on 21 October, 1999

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I/We hereby state that I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

#### Prior Foreign Application(s)

I/We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Country	Application No	Filed (d/m/y)	Issued (d/m/y)	Priority claimed
Great Britain	9823944.5	03/11/98		Y [x] N [ ]
Great Britian	9823941.1	03/11/98		Y [x] N [ ]
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#### Prior United States Applications

I/We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial No	Filing Date (d/m/y)	Status (Patented, Abandoned)	Pending,

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